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Applicant: Shridhara Alva Karinka, et al.

Serial No: 10/062,313

Filed: February 1, 2002

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Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is the Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 of Shridhara A. Karinka et al., et al. for ELECTROCHEMICAL BIOSENSOR STRIP FOR ANALYSIS OF LIQUID SAMPLES.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed August 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.